

MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council

c/o Natawna Austin, Executive Secretary

From: Michael Braverman, Housing Commissioner

Date: October 11, 2017

Re: City Council Bill 17-0123 - Franchise - Bridgeway over Linden Avenue

The Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 17-0123, for the purpose of granting a franchise to Maryland General Hospital, Inc., to construct, use, and maintain an elevated bridgeway that is to be located above and across Linden Avenue, approximately 260.17 feet north of the southern building line on the northerly side of Madison Avenue, to connect a proposed new hospital building on the west side of Linden Avenue with the existing main hospital building on the east side of Linden Avenue, subject to certain terms, conditions, and reservations; and providing for a special effective date.

If enacted, this bill would provide an elevated connection between an existing University of Maryland Medical System hospital building and a new building that is part of the hospital campus to provide convenient access for patients.

The Department of Housing and Community Development supports the passage of City Council Bill 17-0123.

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cc: Ms. Karen Stokes, Mayor's Office of Government Relations Mr. Kyron Banks, Mayor's Office of Government Relations